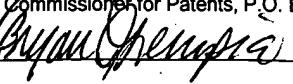


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| PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2005 (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).) | | Docket Number (Optional) 10000-03 GRA-19 |
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| Application Number | 10/735,817 | Filed December 16, 2006 |
| For Buckle Assembly | | |
| Art Unit 3677 | Examiner | J. Brittain |
| This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. | | |
| The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below): | | |
| | Fee | Small Entity Fee |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$120 | \$60 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) | \$450 | \$225 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$1020 | \$510 |
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| | <input type="checkbox"/> | assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96). |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 39,746 |
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| Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 | | |
|  Signature | | May 10, 2006 Date |
| Bryan J. Lempia Typed or printed name | | (312) 291-0860 Telephone Number |
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FEE TRANSMITTAL

For FY 2005

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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| TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT | (\$) | \$120.00 |
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| First Named Inventor | Patrick Nolan |
| Examiner Name | J. Brittain |
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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

| <u>Application Type</u> | <u>FILING FEES</u> | | <u>SEARCH FEES</u> | | <u>EXAMINATION FEES</u> | | <u>Fees Paid (\$)</u> |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| | <u>Fee (\$)</u> | <u>Small Entity</u> | <u>Fee (\$)</u> | <u>Small Entity</u> | <u>Fee (\$)</u> | <u>Small Entity</u> | |
| Utility | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 200 | 100 | _____ |
| Design | 200 | 100 | 100 | 50 | 130 | 65 | _____ |
| Plant | 200 | 100 | 300 | 150 | 160 | 80 | _____ |
| Reissue | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 600 | 300 | _____ |
| Provisional | 200 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | _____ |

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEESFee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

| <u>Total Claims</u> | <u>Extra Claims</u> | <u>Fee (\$)</u> | <u>Fee Paid (\$)</u> | <u>Small Entity</u> | <u>Fee (\$)</u> | <u>Fee (\$)</u> |
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| _____ - 20 or HP = _____ | x _____ | = _____ | _____ | 50 | 25 | |

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

| <u>Indep. Claims</u> | <u>Extra Claims</u> | <u>Fee (\$)</u> | <u>Fee Paid (\$)</u> | <u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u> | <u>Fee (\$)</u> | <u>Fee Paid (\$)</u> |
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4. OTHER FEE(S)

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Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): one month extension - large entity

Fees Paid (\$)

\$120.00

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| <u>Signature</u> | <u>Bryan J. Lempia</u> | <u>Registration No.</u> 39,746 <u>(Attorney/Agent)</u> | <u>Telephone</u> (312) 291-0860 |
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